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SUBJECT: ZAMBIAN NOTE RE MARSHALL SOGHOIAN CASE

1. AT HIS REQUEST ZAMBIAN AMBASSADOR MWILA CALLED ON ACTING SECRETARY SEPTEMBER 13 TO PRESENT FIRST PERSON NOTE AND MAKE ORAL DEMARCHE ON SOGHOIAN ARREST AND RELATED MATTERS. DEPARTMENT POUCHING COPY OF NOTE. SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN MWILA AND ACTING SECRETARY FOLLOWS IN SEPARATE MESSAGE.

2. IN ADDITION TO STANDARD LINE THAT SOGHOIAN HAS ACTED PERFECTLY PROPERLY IN HIS ACTIVITIES HERE ON BEHALF HIS EMPLOYER, GRZ, NOTE MAKES FOLLOWING POINTS: (A) MOST ITEMS SEIZED AT TIME OF SOCHOIAN ARREST, INCLUDING FUNDS, CONFIDENTIAL OFFICIAL ZAMBIAN DOCUMENTS, SAMPLE EQUIPMENT, AND EQUIPMENT RETURNED FOR WARRANTY REPAIR, ARE PROPERTY OF GRZ WHOSE RETURN GRZ "FORMALLY DEMANDS WITHIN TWO DAYS FROM TODAY;" (B) ACTIONS OF USG IN SEIZING ABOVE GRZ PROPERTY "ARE CONSISTENT WITH PRINCIPLES INTERNATIONAL LAW AND COMITY, UNPRECEDENTED AND CONSTITUTE DIRECT INTERFERENCE WITH LAW-
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FUL ACTIVITIES OF GRZ IN UNITED STATES;" AND (C) RETENTION

OR USE OF GRZ PROPERTY IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER BY ANY AGENCY
USG, INCLUDING IN COURT PROCEEDINGS WOULD VIOLATE CONCEPT
OF MUTUAL RESPECT AMONG FRIENDLY STATES AND GRZ, THEREFORE,
REQUESTS ALSO THAT "ANY COPIES, RECORDS, OR OTHER WRITINGS
CONCERNING SUCH PROPERTY LIKEWISE BE IMMEDIATELY RETURNED

TO GRZ, WITHOUT EXCEPTION."

3. NOTE ALSO STATES FLATLY PREVIOUSLY-EXPRESSED GRZ VIEW
THAT IT "VIEWS THE ARREST OF MR. MARSHALL SOGHOIAN AS AN
ACTION CALCULATED TO EMBARRASS THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT AND
ITS PEOPLE." RUSH

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